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Dear Mr. Morisy:

Pursuant to G. L. c. 66, § 10 (b), this correspondence is to confirm receipt of your request for documents that are potentially in the possession, custody or control of the Boston Police Department. Specifically, you have requested information under the Freedom of Information Act about the following:

A copy of reports generated by Buzzient for or by the Boston Police Department. At least some of these reports have been reported on publicly, including in the following article on Boston.com:

<http://www.boston.com/business/innovation/blogs/inside-the-hive/2013/04/24/buzzient-founder-trades-bomb-detection-for-social-sleuthing-defend-national-security/tDABbI0QlALsHhBQAHTazL/blog.html>

>“We built Buzzient with the belief that we would have both commercial as well as government clients,” he told me. After the London riots, he said the Boston Police Department reached out, and Buzzient began providing free services and social reports.

> He said that the BPD has used the tools and reports to gather information on flashmobs, which often use social channels to organize.

We will contact you as soon as possible with our findings, and will send you a cost estimate for your requested materials if fulfilling the request is expected to exceed \$10.00, per 950 C.M.R. 32.06(1); 950 C.M.R. 32.03; M.G.L. c 66 § 10(a).

Please be advised that we research each request in the order it was received, and it may take longer than ten days to be fulfilled. If your request requires a substantial amount of research, reviewing and redacting, fulfilling the request will take a significant amount of time. Please plan accordingly.

Thank you,

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Boston Police Department